

REMARKS

In this paper, Applicants have amended original claims 3-8 and 11 to remove multiple dependencies found in the original application. New claims 12-23 have been added to preserve the scope of the original claims. These new claims are essentially the multiply dependent claims after they have been written out.

Accordingly, claims 1-23 are now presented for examination. The following claim table summarizes the relationship between the current set of claims and the original set of claims.

Original Claim	New claim
1	1
2	2
3(1)	3
3(2)(1)	12
4(1)	4
4(2)(1)	13
4(3)(2)(1)	14
5(1)	5
5(2)(1)	15
5(3)(2)(1)	16
6(1)	6
6(2)(1)	17
6(3)(2)(1)	18
7(1)	7
7(2)(1)	19
7(3)(2)(1)	20
8(1)	8
8(2)(1)	21
8(3)(2)(1)	22
9	9
10	10
11(9)	11
11(10)(9)	23

No new matter has been added by these amendments.

AUTHORIZATION

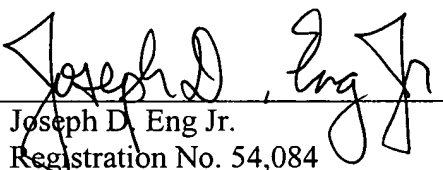
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for consideration of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 4439-4028. A DUPLICATE OF THIS DOCUMENT IS ATTACHED.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 4439-4028. A DUPLICATE OF THIS DOCUMENT IS ATTACHED.

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